



1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Dwight A. Lucas, the East Central Illinois
3 Community Action Agency chief executive officer, was recently
4 honored by the Illinois Community Action Association for his
5 public service; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Lucas received the 2005 Martin Luther King Jr.
7 Public Service Award at the organization's annual dinner; he
8 received an inscribed plaque with a picture of Martin Luther
9 King Jr. on it; and

10 WHEREAS, He has served as the executive director of the
11 Laura Lee Fellowship House since 2001, and is actively involved
12 in the Dustbowl basketball tournament as well as the Illinois
13 Community Action Association; he has worked at the East Central
14 Illinois Community Action Agency for more than 20 years and has
15 been its chief executive officer for 18 years; and

16 WHEREAS, In 1996, Mr. Lucas became a certified community
17 action professional through the National Association for
18 Community Action Association; he serves on community action
19 affiliated boards and is chair of the Illinois Community Action
20 Association (ICAA); he also is a board member of Illinois
21 Ventures for Community Action and serves as a member of the
22 Governor's Community Service Advisory Council; and

23 WHEREAS, During his tenure as president of the ICAA, Mr.
24 Lucas has provided stewardship and clarity of vision; he
25 provided support to the ICAA during a staffing transition, and
26 under his aegis, the association has become one of the
27 strongest organizations in its field; through his work, the
28 theory of the Community Action Bus Tour has become a reality;
29 these tours raise the visibility of community action agencies
30 and the services they offer; and

1 WHEREAS, He and his wife, Audrey, have been married for 35
2 years; they have a daughter, Angela, and twin sons, Dwight II
3 and Dwayne; he has a granddaughter, Ahnae Candace Jones; he is
4 a member of New Life Church of Faith, and in his spare time he
5 enjoys fishing, spending time with his family, and watching
6 sports; therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
8 NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
9 we congratulate Dwight A. Lucas on being the recipient of the
10 2005 Martin Luther King Jr. Public Service Award, and we thank
11 him for his dedication to the needs of his community and this
12 State; and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
14 presented to him as an expression of our respect and esteem.